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**Letter dated 13 February 2002 from the Permanent
Representative of Uganda to the United Nations addressed
to the President of the Security Council**

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to forward to you a copy of a letter dated 5 February 2002 from Uganda's Minister of Defence, Hon Amama Mbabazi, addressed to Amos Ngongi Namanga, Special Representative of the Secretary-General to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, concerning the increase in violence in northeastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (see annex).

I should be grateful if you could have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Semakula **Kiwanuka**
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations



Annex to the letter dated 13 February 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Increased deteriorating security situation in northeastern Democratic Republic of the Congo

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 2 February 2002 concerning the increase in violence in northeastern Democratic Republic of the Congo.

We had withdrawn our troops because of the persistent misrepresentation of the Uganda People's Defence Forces (UPDF) role in the problems of the area and the consequent malignment that the Government of Uganda suffered. No one, including the United Nations, came to our defence, although it was clear that the UPDF role was positive.

The Uganda Government, therefore, welcomes your recognition of this and will immediately redeploy in the areas of tribal conflict to restore security.

(Signed) Amama **Mbabazi**
Minister of Defence